



2008 STOCK USE AND GRAZING REGULATIONS

These area- specific regulations supplement the minimum impact regulations and guidelines. In the regulations "stock use" refers to travel and camping with stock (horses, mules, burros, or llamas) and grazing in designated forage areas. Areas "closed to grazing" are open to stock travel and camping with stock provided they remain confined on a hardened surface and are given substitute feeds. Areas "closed to stock" are closed to all stock access. Areas open to “day rides and pass- through travel only” are open to stock travel but animals may not graze or stay overnight.

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Kings Canyon National Park	
South Fork San Joaquin River	
Upper Goddard Canyon	Day rides only from one mile above Hell- for- Sure Junction to Martha Lake.
Hell- for- Sure Pass	Unmaintained trail open to stock use.
Evolution Meadow*	Temporarily closed to grazing.
Darwin Meadow*	Temporarily closed to grazing in Darwin Meadow proper. Stock users are required to use the “pocket meadows” in the forested area to the north and west of Darwin Meadow.
Lake 11,106’	Day rides only.
Darwin Bench & Canyon	Closed to stock.
Evolution Basin	Closed to grazing by horses and mules from Evolution Lake to Muir Pass; one night grazing for walking groups with burros or llamas.
McGee Canyon	Unmaintained trail below 10,400’ open to stock use; closed to stock above 10,400.’
Middle Fork Kings River Drainage	
Blue Canyon area	Unmaintained trail below 10,000’ open to stock use; closed to stock above 10,000.’
Goddard Creek Meadows	Closed to grazing from 10,200’ to 10,400.’
Big Pete Meadow	Upper, wooded portion of the meadow closed to grazing.
Dusy Basin	Closed to grazing from lower lip of Basin to Bishop Pass, including Rainbow Lakes special food storage requirements in effect Memorial Day weekend to October 31.
Monarch Divide	
Kennedy Canyon	Open to unrestricted off- trail stock use.
Dougherty/Horseshoe Creeks	Open to unrestricted off- trail stock use except:
Shorty’s Meadow	Two night grazing limit.
Granite Basin	Open to unrestricted off- trail stock use except:
Granite Lake	Closed to grazing.
Grouse Lake	Unmaintained trail open to stock use.
Hotel Creek	Traditional off- trail routes and forage areas open to stock use.
Woods Creek Drainage	
Paradise Valley	Closed to grazing up to the Lower Castle Domes drift fence.
Woods Lake Basin	Closed to grazing around Woods Lake shore; trail to Sawmill Pass open to stock use.
Castle Domes Meadow	Fifteen head per party maximum; one night grazing limit.
Woods Creek Crossing	Two meadows on south side of Woods Creek below camp area closed to grazing.
Baxter Creek Drainage	Day rides and pass- through travel only from John Muir Trail to Baxter Pass.
Sixty Lakes Basin *	Day use only; stock travel restricted to established trail to a point approximately 2.0 miles from the junction of the John Muir Trail with the Sixty Lakes Trail.
Rae Lakes Basin *	Entire Basin closed to grazing, including Dragon Lake Meadow; special food storage requirements in effect Memorial Day weekend through October 31.
Bubbs Creek Drainage	
Lower Bubbs Creek & Charlotte Creek Confluence	Closed to grazing by horses and mules below the lower Junction Meadow drift fence; one night grazing for walking parties with burros or llamas.
Sphinx Lakes	Unmaintained trail open to stock use.
Junction Meadow (Bubbs)*	Fifteen head per party maximum; one night grazing limit. Due to flooding in the lower portion, the entire meadow will not open until the wettest part is ready. At that time, grazing of the whole meadow is limited to private stock and 100 nights for the Cedar Grove Pack Station only.
East Lake	One night grazing limit; closed to grazing below the drift fence.
Lake Reflection	Closed to stock.
Vidette Meadow	Closed to grazing.
Upper Vidette Meadow *	Temporarily closed to grazing; no grazing below the drift fence at 10,100.’
Vidette Lakes	Closed to stock.
Center Basin	Day rides only above the John Muir Trail.
Kearsarge/Bullfrog Lakes	Closed to grazing; low trail through basin closed to stock except spot trips to Kearsarge Lakes from the upper trail junction.
Charlotte Lake Meadows	Meadows immediately above and below Charlotte Lake closed to grazing.
Charlotte Creek Meadow	Two night grazing limit below the drift fence west of (below) Charlotte Lake.
Roaring River Drainage	
Roaring River Drainage	Open to unrestricted off- trail stock use except for the following:
Roaring River Rgr. Stn.	Closed to public grazing on the west side of Roaring River from the Ranger Station down to the drift fence.
Scaffold Mdw- JR Pasture	Administrative pasture closed to public use.
Scaffold Mdw- Tourist Past.	Fifteen head per party maximum; two night- grazing limit, including Lackey Pasture.
Lackey Pasture *	Three head per party maximum; two night grazing limit.
Cement Table Meadow	Fifteen head per party maximum; three night grazing limit.
Grave Meadow	Fifteen head per party maximum; three night grazing limit.
Ellis Meadow	Closed to grazing.
Tom Sears Meadow	Closed to grazing.
Seville Lake	Closed to grazing.

* Meadows with an asterisk (*) are temporarily closed to grazing or otherwise restricted for the 2008 season to allow for restoration.

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Middle and Marble Forks, Kaweah River Drainage

Lakes Trail	Trail to Heather, Emerald and Pear Lakes open for day rides only.
Frontcountry Trails	Wolverton Cutoff, Alta, Panther Gap, and Seven Mile Trails open for day rides and pass- through travel only. High Sierra Trail closed to stock from Crescent Meadow to Wolverton Cutoff.
Giant Forest/Lodgepole	All meadows within five miles of Giant Forest Museum (includes Crescent, Cahoon, Willow and Halstead Meadows) closed to grazing. All paved trails closed to stock.
Redwood Meadow *	Lower (northern) section only open to private and commercial use, two- night limit. Upper (southern) section only open to administrative use.
Granite Creek	Unmaintained trail from Redwood Meadow to upper Granite Creek open to stock use, probably impassible.
Hamilton Lakes	Closed to grazing.
Redwood Canyon	Closed to grazing (Kings Canyon National Park).

Mineral King Area, East & South Fork Kaweah River Drainage

Mineral King Valley & Lake Basins	Closed to grazing by horses and mules; one night grazing for walking parties with burros or llamas
Sawtooth Pass	Closed to stock from Monarch Lake to switchbacks below Columbine Lake.
South Fork Kaweah River	Open to unrestricted off- trail stock use.
Hockett Plateau	Open to unrestricted stock use except:
Hockett Pasture	Administrative pasture closed to public stock use.
Mitchell Meadow	Closed to grazing.
South Fork Meadow*	Temporarily closed to grazing.
Summit Lake Meadow *	Temporarily closed to grazing.

West Kern Plateau

(Chagoopa, Funston, Big Arroyo, Rattlesnake, Laurel and Coyote Creeks)

West Kern Plateau	Open to unrestricted off- trail stock use except for the following:
Big & Little Five Lakes	Closed to off- trail stock use; open to stock use within ½ mile of maintained trails.
Little Five Lakes	Stringer Meadow southeast of ranger station closed to grazing.
Forester Lake Meadow *	Temporarily closed to grazing.

Kern River Canyon

Junction Meadow (Kern)	Fifteen head per party maximum; one night grazing limit.
Kern Hot Springs	Small meadow immediately adjacent to hot springs closed to stock.
Lower Kern River Canyon	Open to unrestricted off- trail stock use below Kern Hot Springs except:
Upper & Lower Funston Meadows	Two night grazing limit; camp in designated sites if available. Special regulations in place to prevent the spread of velvet grass. Ask for details when you pick up your wilderness permit.
Lewis Camp Large Pasture	Administrative pasture closed to public stock use.
Kern Station Small Pasture	Administrative pasture closed to public stock use.

Upper Kern River

(Kern-Kaweah, Upper Kern, Tyndall, Wright and Wallace Creeks)

Milestone Basin	Special permit required. Permit requires: one party at a time; eight head, two night grazing limit; grazing permitted only north of Milestone Creek. No stock travel above 10,800’. Contact Wilderness Office for details.
Lake South America Col Mdw	Small lake south of Lake South America and large meadow farther south along trail closed to Grazing.
John Dean Cutoff	Unmaintained trail from Tyndall Creek Ran. Sta. to Kern Canyon open to stock use.
Shepherd Pass	Day rides and pass- through travel only within one mile of Shepherd Pass.
Wright Creek Drainage	Unmaintained route below 11,200’ open to stock use; day rides only above 11,200.’
Wright Creek Closed Meadow	Side drainage in east- central Wright Lakes Basin closed to grazing.
Wright to Wallace Creeks	Unmaintained route between Wright and Wallace Creek drainages open for day use and pass- through travel only.
Wallace Creek Drainage	Unmaintained trail below 11,200’ open to stock use; day rides only above 11,200.’
Wallace Creek Waterfall Mdw	Six head per party maximum; one night grazing limit.
Wallace Creek Closed Mdw	Meadow one mile above Waterfall Meadow and ½ mile below Wallace Lake (at 11,140’) closed to Grazing.
Kern Canyon Overlooks	Open for day rides on unmaintained side routes.

Whitney Creek

Mt. Whitney Trail	Open for day rides only from Timberline Lake to one mile above Guitar Lake.
Guitar Lake	Closed to grazing by horses and mules; one night grazing for walking parties with burros or llamas.
Timberline Lake	Closed to grazing and camping.
Crabtree Ranger Sta. Stringer	Meadow along Whitney Creek adjacent to the ranger station closed to grazing.
Crabtree Meadows*	Parties larger than 15 head should contact the ranger in selecting campsites and grazing areas at Upper Crabtree. Lower Crabtree Meadow is temporarily closed to grazing.
Crabtree Lakes	Closed to stock above hitchrail located ½ mile below lower lake.
Lower Whitney Creek Meadow	Reopened for commercial and private grazing; consider using Sandy Meadow to aid further recovery.
Kern Canyon Overlooks	Open for day rides on unmaintained side trails.

Rock Creek

Lower Rock Creek	Unmaintained trail below Lower Rock Creek Crossing open to stock use.
Guyot Creek and Meadow	Large meadow southwest of JMT crossing of Guyot Creek at 10,400’ closed to grazing.
Forgotten Cyn to Funston Lake	Unmaintained trail open to stock use.
Rock Creek R.S. Meadow	Wet meadow between ranger station and Pacific Crest Trail closed to grazing.
Siberian Outpost	Unmaintained trail from Siberian Outpost to Boreal Plateau and Rocky Lakes Basin open to stock use.
Upper Rock Creek	Two night grazing limit for all of the Upper Rock area, Nathan’s Meadow and above.
Rock Creek Meadow #2	Small meadow immediately above drift fence closed to grazing.
Rock Creek Stringer & Lower Rock Creek Lake Meadow	Reopened for grazing in 2008. NOTE: Two night grazing limit applies for all of Upper Rock Creek.
Miter Basin	Unmaintained trail from Lower Rock Creek Lake to Primrose Lake outlet stream open to stock use; day rides only above Primrose Lake outlet stream.
Kern Canyon Overlooks	Open for day rides on unmaintained side trails.
Upper Soldier Lake	Two meadows above Upper Soldier Lake are closed to stock.

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